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LYCEUM COURSE NUMBER MONDAY EVENING

The next number of the Lyceum series to be given under the auspices of the Progressive Class of the M. E. Church, will be a lecture Monday evening, November 23 at Community Hall by Dr. G. Whitfield Ray, North American explorer.

Dr. Ray is known to scientific men as "the Livingstone of South America." To the literary world he is known by his book, "Through Five Republics on Horseback." His latest trip was made in 1923, so he brings an authentic picture of the strange life, customs and people of today. This extensive tour was the culmination of seventeen years of exploration in South America.

FRANK WALTERS

Frank Walters, after an illness of a year, passed away Friday, November 13, at his home on Division street. Funeral services were held Monday from the home, Rev. E. F. Dunlavy officiating. Interment at Oakwood cemetery.

Mr. Walters was born October 6, 1852 in West Bloomfield township and was united in marriage March 5, 1873, to Julia L. Smith, who preceded him in death two years and four months ago. To this union were born three children, Mrs. Otto Schaeper, William Walters of Farmington, who survive, and Harry Walters, deceased. He also leaves two brothers, Henry Walters of Farmington, George Walters of Pontiac and a sister, Mrs. Sarah Edwards of Farmington.

Deceased was a successful farmer and a life long and respected resident of this vicinity.

F. W. C.

A special Thanksgiving program was given by the Farmington Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. E. F. Holcomb Wednesday afternoon, November 18.

The committee in charge was Mrs. Ella Irish, Mrs. Elizabeth Holcomb and Mrs. Nina Whipple. At the close of the social hour light refreshments were served. The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Harrison Johnson, Wednesday, December 2.

INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Wajamega Council, No. 7 met Wednesday evening at their hall in Northville.

Seven new members were initiated into the order, the work being put on by Mrs. Morgan and her class of Junia Council of Detroit. A banquet was served at 6:30. Mrs. Leah Green of Farmington as chairman.

H. O. Stoner of Battle Creek, State Chief Keeper of Records, gave an instructive talk.

About twenty members of Detroit Council and the same number from Plymouth Council were present.

NEW HALL AND FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Clarenceville Tri-Township Community Association have the basement for their new building, 50x100 feet excavated and at the regular meeting of the association to be held Monday evening, November 23, plans for the new building will be discussed.

At the same meeting preliminary action will be taken to organize a fire department.

FARMINGTON APPEALS TO HIM

Charles M. Samson is a new resident of Farmington and expects to commence the erection of a home on Brookdale Drive. Mr. Samson will take up the real estate business here, being engaged with F. D. Fleming. He has for years been connected with the Polk Directory and is familiar with most of the cities of importance in the middle west. Farmington appealed to him as the ideal home town.

A CORRECTION

Mr. and Mrs. F. Henchett, now in charge of the Newcombe restaurant at Farmington Junction, instead of Mr. and Mrs. C. Henchett as stated last week.

EARLY PUBLICATION NEXT WEEK

Next week Thursday being Thanksgiving Day, The Enterprise will go to press on Wednesday evening. If advertisers, correspondents and others having copy for publication will furnish same a day earlier The Enterprise force will have double reason for giving thanks.

—Publisher.

WHAT RED CROSS DID IN OAKLAND COUNTY

During the year ending October 1, 1925 the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, had charge of 268 cases; 1168 interviews were held in the office, 391 calls were made and there were 483 telephonic calls in the interest of the various cases. It is now necessary to make more home calls as the United States Veterans Bureau have asked for information relative to the present condition of a great many of the disabled ex-service men. Also some calls have been made at the request of the Government, regarding the home conditions of men who have asked to be discharged.

During the same period of time \$885.55 was expended throughout the county for the relief of disabled ex-service men and their families.

Considerable assistance has been rendered in making application for reimbursement of \$100.00 for funeral expenses now allowed by the Veterans Bureau for a veteran who served in any war since 1897.

A great many applications for Federal Adjusted Compensation, or Bonus, have been made during the past year. This is an important phase of the work, since the bonus is in the form of a Twenty Year Endowment Policy and because a beneficiary can be left about two and one-half times the amount a dependent can collect by making application after death of veteran. Assistance is also being given now in collecting the bonus on account of death.

Most of the veterans in the Pontiac State Hospital have been transferred to U. S. Veterans Hospital No. 100 Camp Custer, which was opened about a year ago. As relatives for some of these patients cannot be located, a box of used clothing and candy was sent to the Red Cross at the hospital for them.

Some assistance has also been given in obtaining dependent's compensation, bonus from various states, unpaid allotment and allowed travel pay and Liberty bonds. One of the important features of the work is to assist the disabled men in procuring, from the Veterans Bureau, the necessary treatment for their disabilities.

Assistance has also been given the veterans of other wars and their families, as well as to Canadian ex-service men, regarding claims for increased pension and treatment.

EXCHANGE CLUB NOTES

At the noonday luncheon Tuesday Dr. R. M. Pearce, pastor of the Grand River Methodist church at Detroit gave an interesting talk on the value of legacies, emphasizing the fact that the most valuable one did not come to us in the form of material wealth.

Next Tuesday each member will bring to the luncheon a boy, not necessarily his own, in order to further a spirit of friendly relation between the present day and future day men of Farmington.

OBITUARY

Charles H. Leach was born in Milo Yates County, New York May 8, 1853, the son of Benjamin and Mary Ella Leach.

When a small boy he came with his parents to Michigan, to live near Birmingham. He was united in marriage May 7, 1871 to Belle Negus. Mr. and Mrs. Leach joined the M. E. Church at Birmingham August 12, 1888.

Mr. Leach held membership in the Foresters of America at Northville and the I. O. O. F. at Royal Oak. He was a prominent retired farmer. One son, Claude Leach and one daughter, Mrs. Emil Gitzel of Farmington, also a brother, Scott P. Leach of Easton, survive.

Thanksgiving Day Proclamation

BY THE GOVERNOR.

In accordance with federal and state statutes, and in keeping with the national custom, and because every person has some reason for joining in a proper observance of the day, I hereby designate Thursday, November 26, 1925, as a day of Public Thanksgiving.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State this fourteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, and of the Commonwealth the eighty-ninth.

ALEX J. GROESBECK, GOVERNOR.
By the Governor: CHARLES J. DELAND, Secretary of State.

High School Spotlight

Frida evening a box social was given in the High School gymnasium for all students of F. H. S. and anyone ever attending high school. The evening was spent playing games and dancing after which the boxes were sold and the proceeds were given to Maurice Graham who has been hurt twice on the athletic field. The students wished to show their appreciation for his fine school spirit.

Lois Young.

Juniors and Seniors

The "blue" side won in the magazine selling contest. The "red" and "green" sides are going to give the "blues" a party.

The Seniors are selling Christmas cards. They have a good selection, and will be very glad to send a representative to you, if you desire. Call the school.

The Employment Bureau is always willing to answer calls.

Lois Young.

Sophomores

Our tea party last so long Thursday night that we all decided that we will not have another one for a while.

Freshmen

The Freshmen General Science class were trying to filter water last Wednesday when the experiment blew up. The result was everyone came to school the next day with clean clothes on.

The Domestic Science class made muffins Friday and forgot to put baking powder in them. My, we are glad they don't cook for us.

Eighth Grade

The story on "Fire Prevention," written by Mildred Mohring which was awarded a prize in the Detroit News contest will be published next week.

The boys in our club are co-operating with the Woman's Club and are building the rustic bridge across the creek. This shortens the distance for school children living in Valley View and vicinity.

Irene Stewart.

The eighth grade art class is making plaques of plaster paris for Christmas presents. They are laid out to dry and will be finished soon.

Geraldine Sherlock.

Seventh Grade

The seventh grade had a party in the kindergarten room Friday evening and a good time was enjoyed by all.

The A History class have been working on themes to be written on the subject, "The Growth of the Constitution."

Miss Wallace.

Sixth Grade

Monday in our reading class, we studied "The First Thanksgiving Day," by Margaret Preston.

The boys and girls have finished our Thanksgiving border of

pumpkins and turkeys.

In our arithmetic class we are still working on decimals. It is slow work for some of us but we hope to make it sure.

Miss Hudson.

Fifth Grade

The atlases we are making helped us to remember the World War as we are now drawing the map of Europe. It is fun to study the spelling of these countries, Czechoslovakia, for instance.

In arithmetic we are learning cancellation.

In English class we are reading the biography of Helen Keller. In connection with this we are writing stories on the "Usefulness Blind People Can Be."

Miss Tapio.

Fourth Grade

We elected a new mayor. We elected Carl Ufferman for mayor; he will serve a term of four weeks.

Mary Jane Schroeder and Bruce Keyser are street cleaners and Harold Ross helps direct wardrobe traffic.

We have added a few new things to our room this week. Catherine S. brought us a lovely plant. We also have a window box and a new reading table.

All the fourth grade boys and girls are looking forward to Thursday evening, as we expect a good many visitors in our room that night.

Miss McClellan.

Second Grade

We are making pilgrim books. We have also started a pilgrim project on our sand tables.

Junior Evans, Dorothy Lancaster, Lucille Fletcher, T. D. McCord, Walter Hofman, have returned to school after two weeks of illness with chicken pox.

Miss Percy.

Third Grade

We made Dutch girl and boy spelling books and are learning new words found in our Pilgrim story.

On our sand table we have a Pilgrim and Indian village. We have a new poster.

Good Foods

Some foods make us grow tall and build muscle. Others give us heat. All good foods make us healthy. Do you drink milk and eat cereals, fruits, vegetables and bread and butter?

Miss Phillip.

First Grade

The third reading class began to read in the primer this week. We are learning about the pilgrims and why we have Thanksgiving Day.

The boys are making a doll bed for our room. We hope to add a few other pieces of furniture to our play corner.

Miss Shiffler.

OAKLAND FARMS DECREASED; VALUES INCREASED

The following statement by the Department of Commerce gives some of the results of the 1923 farm census for Oakland County with comparative data for 1920. The 1923 figures are preliminary and subject to correction.

Number of Farms	Jan 1 1925	Jan 1 1920
Total	4059	4035
Operated by:		
Owners	3112	2788
Managers	155	180
Tenants	791	1067
Farm Acreage		
All land in farms	402,548	452,013
Crop land, 1924	226,562	
Harvested	169,621	
Crop failure	1903	
Fallow or idle	55,038	
Pasture, 1924	120,922	
Plowable	67,336	
Woodland	31,704	
Other land	21,882	
Woodland not pastured	18,897	
All other land	36,167	
Farm Values		
Jan 1 1925		Jan 1 1920

Land and buildings \$67,078,464 \$58,809,610
Land alone \$6,765,634 42,722,990
Buildings, 16,312,830 16,086,629

Livestock on Farms

	1924	1919
Horses	3,448	13,745
Mules	188	215
Cattle, total	27,871	37,463
Beef cows*	1,170	1,487
Other beef cattle	3,380	6,410
Dairy cows*	17,891	20,735
Other dairy cattle	5,430	8,831
Swine, total	8,743	20,442
Breeding sows**	1,350	3,548

Principal Crops

	1924	1919
Corn, acres	14,610	28,701
Bushels	487,272	1,166,415
Oats, acres	40,511	41,349
Bushels	1,846,559	1,030,719
Wheat, acres	5,065	16,408
Bushels	17,796	296,333
Hay, acres	60,918	66,408
Tons	69,733	63,763
White potatoes, acres,	10,534	11,144
Bushels	1,297,637	1,037,021

*Cows and heifers two years old and older.
**Sows and girls for breeding purpose six months old and over.

BANDSTAND TO BE REMOVED

Northville's bandstand at the intersection of Main and Center streets, affectionally nick-named the bird cage, will be removed, together with the flag staff, and a new automatic signal will be installed. This action was taken by the village council at its regular meeting Monday evening and will be generally endorsed by the citizens of the village. The bandstand has been bumped into by the street cars and autos until it is about wrecked and has become very unattractive. Its removal and the installation of an automatic signal will provide something that has long been needed. With the new signal system all vehicles approaching the street intersection will be required to come to a full stop, making our streets very much more safe for those who have occasion to cross and re-cross the thoroughfares.

—Northville Record.

MORE OFFICE ROOM NEEDED

F. D. Fleming has taken a suite of rooms in the Peoples State Bank building in order to more conveniently accommodate his increasing real estate business. He will not give up his old quarters next to the D. U. R. station, but will keep a force of assistants at each place.

MILLER-WHEELER

Miss Dorothy Miller and Edward C. Wheeler, both of Farmington, were united in marriage Saturday at the Redford Baptist Church, Rev. H. H. Davis, pastor, reading the marriage service. They were attended by Miss Dorcas Bassett as bridesmaid and Russell Millard as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Farmington High School and for the past year has been employed at the P. D. Fleming real estate office. The groom is well and favorably known in this vicinity and many friends will extend congratulations.

Pay up your subscription.

NIGHT SCHOOL

Parents and Patrons of the Farmington Public Schools: The Farmington Public Schools will observe Parents' and Patrons' night this week Thursday from 6:30 to 9:00. All friends of the school are urged to attend this session. This occasion is organized for the express purpose of bringing parents and patrons into the institution to observe its operation under normal conditions.

Classes will be dismissed Thursday afternoon in order that the younger children may rest and be in good condition for the classes at night. There will be no special program offered and no effort put forth to do more than the normal program requires. Visitors will be expected to enter the rooms quietly without rapping, observe the room at work and leave at will for further visits in other rooms and departments.

Parents are particularly urged to visit their own children's rooms, listen to the recitations and get acquainted with the teacher in charge.

Past experiments of this nature lead us to expect from 250 to 300 visitors. Very obviously a certain amount of confusion will be unavoidable. The success of this occasion will depend upon the co-operation of everyone to secure the average school room. An unnecessary confusion and conversation should be avoided in the class rooms and halls.

Do you know that every available room is now being used and most rooms are being used to capacity limits? Visitors should look for the placard that will give the actual enrollment of each session room together with its capacity. Be sure to visit the Domestic Science room and see this new department in operation. Educational motion pictures will be shown; you are invited to see these pictures and also learn how they are being used for class room instruction in Farmington.

This is Education Week in America. Schools and educational processes are being emphasized particularly at this time. Will you do your share? Know your own schools.

Very truly yours,
A. G. Leonard,
Supt. of Schools

BRIDGE LUNCHEON

Mrs. Frank Ayers was hostess to guests at at luncheon and bridge yesterday afternoon at Sunset Hill-club, Orchard Lake. Places of the guests were marked by cards resembling tiny bouquets of gay colored flowers and the table decorations were carried out in shades of lavender and yellow. Lavender and yellow beehive chrysanthemums centered the table and lavender candles were placed at either end. Mrs. Charles Edgington and Mrs. J. A. Miller were winners at bridge. Guests of the afternoon were Mrs. E. F. Holcomb, Mrs. James Hogle, Mrs. Clyde Sealey, Mrs. J. A. Miller, Mrs. Thomas McGee, Mrs. Lott Hayer of Farmington and Mrs. Thomas Little, Mrs. Charles Edgington and Mrs. George Hawr.

—Pontiac Press.

HOLLY MERCHANT LOSES BIG TO BANDIT

Tires and tubes valued at \$150 were stolen from the Gidson Service station at Holly Tuesday, between 1:00 and 2:00 o'clock in the morning by thieves who escaped in a truck.

Night policeman John Jarrett discovered the burglary soon after the bandits made their getaway. He notified Deputy Sheriff J. Lee Montgomery, who tracked the auto in the snow to Grand River road and then telephoned ahead to Deputy Claude Wilson at Farmington.

Deputy Wilson emptied his revolver at the fleeing machine as it raced through Farmington, but failed to halt the desperadoes.

Mrs. Anna Cook and N. H. Power of Farmington, have been drawn for jury service at the December term of the circuit court which convenes at Pontiac, December 7.